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MISS CLARA BARTON.

THE STORY OF A NOBLE LIFE.

Miss Clara Barton has again been brought conspicuously before the public by the proposed relief work for the thousands of destitute and helpless men, women and children in Armenia, whose suffering the world has, thus far, been unable to relieve. As soon as the necessary money is raised, she and her assistants will start for Constantinople; Although between 65 and 70 years old she enters upon the difficult undertaking with the ardor and zeal of her youth. No one has yet been able to penetrate to the suffering districts. One man, entrusted with $15,000 for distribution among the Armenians, has within a month, returned home with the money, having failed to accomplish his mission; but it is believed that the Red Cross, protected as it is by its international treaty, of which Turkey is one of the signers, will accomplish what no one else can. In connection with this new undertaking a sketch of Miss Barton's life will be read with interest. The following is taken, in part, from the "New York Tribune."

MISS BARTON'S LIFE-WORK.

For more than forty years Miss Barton has made her home at the National Capital, where she is a well-known and familiar figure, although she lives a quiet and retired life, devoting herself entirely to the administration of the affairs of the Red Cross Society, of which she is the director. Many of these years have been spent away from here, wherever duty called her, on battlefields, in hospitals, succoring those made destitute by floods and fire, and nursing the victims of pestilence.

She was born in North Oxford, Mass., in 1830. She was only sixteen when she began teaching school and from that time until now her life has been lived for the good of others. It was when recovering from an illness induced by overwork in establishing a free school in Bordentown, N. J., that she came in 1853 to visit relatives in Washington and to rest. Miss Barton possesses the nervous strength which is seemingly inexhaustible. She burns her candle at both ends and accomplishes an incalculable amount of work. Her indomitable will supplies the power after her physical strength is gone, and invariably finishes the work she has in hand: but, that done, she gives out like the snapping of a watchspring, and must lay by for a season to rest. From these periods of rest she has again and again been called to undertake other work, and during her first visit here, when she came to recuperate from her labors at Bordentown, she was persuaded to take charge of a divison of the Patent Office, the affairs of which were in inextricable confusion, owing to the duplicity of certain clerks who had given out information concerning the patents.

Miss Barton's wonderful executive ability was shown in her work here, and she succeeded in bringing order out of chaos, although every possible stumbling block was put in her way by men who resented her presence among them. Miss Barton is said to have been the first woman appointed to a position in the Government departments. There is no record of any one proceeding her, but this is a subject prolific of disputes. She was discharged in Buchanan's Administration for her intense Republican sympathies, but which she took no pains to conceal was recalled during the same Administration, it having been impossible to find any one to continue the work she had begun, and at the beginning of the war she still occupied this place, which she at once resigned to serve her country on the field. A general of the Army once said that during the whole war there were no better soldiers than Miss Barton and those devoted women like her who went to the front to nurse the sick and wounded.

DURING THE CIVIL WAR.

In the early days of the war women nurses were not permitted to go to the front, and their field was a very limited one, but immediately on entering the hospital service Miss Barton set about convincing her division commander, General J. G. Rucker, of the value her services would be there, and finally succeeded in persuading him to furnish her with transportation, and received his permission to go wherever there was need of her. From this time until within a year of the end of the war, when she was called home by a death in her family, Miss Barton was active in field and hospital work, organizing and directing, training people to help her, drumming up supplies—doing everything, in a word, that her strong and capable hands found to do, and with her clear and logical brain, her systematic methods and her unselfish devotion to the work, making herself a power and establishing a reputation which spread all over the world.

Her eminent ability was recognized by her appointment as superintendent of the Tenth Army Corps hospital, near City Point, and her experiences here, her work on the battlefield, her whole war service, in fact, would make a thrilling volume. It is doubtful if any one was more tenderly loved or more popular with the "boys." In her a man's courage, fortitude and energy were united with a woman's tenderness kindness and sympathy, and she became known as "the angel of the battlefield."

When the war was ended Miss Barton was appointed by President Lincoln to attend to the correspondence relative to those prisioners missing after the exchanges were made. She compiled lists of these, drawing from every available source, from the hospital registers, the prison and burial lists, and so complete was her work that out of 1,300 graves of buried soldiers at Andersonville she was able to identify all but 400. There was no appropriation made for this work. the expense of which Miss Barton paid out of her own purse, and when subsequently Congress voted to reimburse her she refused to accept the money.

In 1869, completely worn out by incessant work, Miss Barton went to Europe for a much needed rest. This vacation had the same ending as the others, and before her health was completely restored she was asked to again put her hands to the plough. It was while at Berne that Miss Barton, whose reputation preceded her across the ocean, was called upon by a committee from the International Committee of Relief, out of which Red the Cross Society grew and asked to take part in the convention at which the Red Cross Society was formed.

ON FRENCH BATTLEFIELDS.

The Franco-Prussian war breaking out at this period, Miss Barton at the request of Dr. Appia, went to the front and served through the bloody struggle with the same devotion that had marked her service in her own country, and her experience and counsels were of the greatest assistance to the hospital authorities. In recognition of her work the Emperor and Empress of Germany presented to her the Cross of Merit, and Grand-duke and Duchess of Baden a Red Cross brooch, the Gold Cross of Remembrance and the colors of Baden.

When she returned home in 1873, Miss Barton set about persuading this Government to sign the international treaty of the Red Cross Society, which had already been signed by all other civilized nations and by some only half civilized, but it was not until 1882, after nine years of inccessant labor, that the bill authorizing the President to sign the treaty passed both houses of Congress.

In appearance Miss Barton has changed but little during the last ten years. Her soft, gray hair waves back from a low intellectual brow, her eyes are deep set and kindly, her features are large and strong, and the lines of her face tell something of the story of her long life of self denial and hard work She could hardly even in her youth, have been considered a beautiful woman, except when her smile, which is full of sweetness and inexpressible kindness, illumines her face.

No one could know Miss Barton, even superficially, without being impressed with her force, energy and resourcefulness. Whatever duty presents itself she accepts without hesitation, without discussing it even with herself, and no complication seems either to alarm or discourage her. She sees events with the clear vision with which an astronomer looks at the heavens, and maps out her work far ahead with the wisdom of the seer, who can foretell what will happen. With her secretaries, and the people whom she has been called upon to direct, she is accredited with wonderful power, and her personal magnetism is very great. She is as generous with her money as with herself, and draws on her private fortune to help through any project in which she is at the moment interested.

If we could trace Dyspepsia to its source, it would lead back to our kitchens. In fact, the secret of good health is good cooking. If well cooked, foods are partially digested; if poorly cooked, they are less digestible than in their raw state. If you are a victim of faulty cooking; that is, if you suffer from Dyspepsia, the rational cure must be looked for in an artificially digested food, and a food which will at the same time aid the digestion of other foods. Such a preparation virtually rests the tired digestive organs, thereby restoring them to their natural strength.

The Digestive Cordial, as prepared by the Shakers of Mount Lebanon, is just such a preparation, and a single 10 cent bottle will convince you of its value. If your druggist doesn't keep it, he will be glad to get it through his wholesale house.

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Mother—Why are you crying?

Daughter—Why, when I got a check book of my own I went through it and signed all the checks right away, and Harry called me a little idiot.

With step as noiseless as the summer air
Who comes in beautiful decay? Her eyes
Dissolving with a feverish glow of light and on
Her cheek a rosy tint, as if the tip
Of beauty's finger faintly pressed it there!
Alas! Consumption is her name."

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"Ella," said Marion, as they were seated on the veranda of their country house, "I went fishing with George this morning."

"Did you? What did you catch?"

"I caught George."

A Hint to Young Men.

Alas, how prevalent are those dread diseases which make men prematurely aged, pale, listless, low spirited, languid, easily tired, forgetful and incapable; fill mad-houses and swell the lists of suicides; separate husbands and wives; bring untold suffering to millions, even unto the third and fourth generation.

A complete and scientific treatise on these ailments, prepared by an association of medical men who have had vast experience in their treatment and great success in their cure, will be mailed in plain sealed envelope, secure from observation, to any sufferer sending ten cents (for the cost of postage) enclosed with this notice to World's Dispensary Medical Association, 663 Main Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

Washington .....Letter

THE Republican House does not propose wasting any time while waiting for the tariff and bond bills to be reported from the Finance committee and acted upon by the Senate. It is the policy of the Republican leaders in the House to make the session a short one, so far as the action of one branch of Congress can do so, and in accordance with that policy the regular appropriation bills are to be passed as rapidly as possible. The pension appropriation bill will be reported to the House this week. It carries an appropriation of $137 900,000 and three important amendments to the pension law. First, one providing that no pension shall be suspended on a charge of fraud until the charge shall have been adjudicated in a U. S. District Court, except where the alleged fraud constitutes a plain violation of statue, as in the case of the remarriage of a widow; second, one providing that any claim granted under the act of 1890 shall date from the date of application, instead of from the date of adjudication as at present; third, one repealing the section of the act of 1890 which requires a widow to show that she is dependent for her support on her daily labor.

It is expected that the Senate Finance Committee will report one or more bills to the Senate this week, but it is not certain that it will, and the exact nature of the bill or bills which will be reported is even more uncertain, although the impression is growing among Republicans that the tariff bill will be reported without amendment, just as it was passed by the House, and that it will be pushed to a vote at an early date. It is for the finance committee to decide whether the tariff or bond bill will be first reported. It is now regarded as probable that if Mr. Cleveland succeeds in making a big bond issue he will feel independent of the revenue provided by the tariff bill and will veto that measure, if the Senate passes it, which it will almost certainly do.

Representative Clark, of Iowa, has introduced a bill providing that greenbacks shall be paid by the Treasury only in exchange for gold, and that none of the gold now in the Treasury shall be paid out until the total amount on hand exceeds $100,000,000. The difference between this bill and the joint resolution offered by Senator Sherman is that this bill would stop the redemption of greenbacks and Treasury notes until the gold reserve exceeded the sum named, while Mr. Sherman's resolution provides for the continued redemption of those notes with gold but prohibits the reissue of notes so redeemed except for gold.

Senator Elkins, of W. Va., gave out some very interesting figures while he was speaking in favor of his resolution against the disposal of bonds by private contract or in any other way than by public advertising. He had searched the Treasury record and showed by the official figures that the U. S. Government had only paid about $5,500,000 in commissions to the bankers who assisted in selling the $2,500,000,000 of bonds which represented the debt incurred during the late civil war, less than one half the amount made by the syndicate which took the last $62,000,000 of bonds issued by the Cleveland administration. It is not surprising that Congress should be opposed to Mr. Cleveland's reported deal for another issue of bonds through the same syndicate. The only thing that prevents Congress depriving Mr. Cleveland of the authority to issue more bonds under the old law is the fear that such action might be used by the European money gougers to cause a financial panic.

No surprise was caused in Congress by the publication of Ambassador Bayard's alleged intention to remain in England after he retires from office, and about the only comment heard is that if we had the right sort of administration he would not have to wait long for his retirement. The report that Bayard had been reprimanded by Secretary Olney is not believed here.

Utah having become a full fledged state is now represented in the House by its first Representative, in the person of Hon. C. E. Allen, and Delegate Cannon retires from the House to go, his friends believe, to the Senate. Representative Allen says of Utah: "I think the state will remain Republican for a long period, because our people are decidedly in favor of the protective system." He declined to express an opinion as to the personality of the two senators to be elected by the Utah legislature, futher than that they would both be good Republicans and that one would be a Mormon.

The Venezuelan Boundary Commission made an excellent start by electing Justice Brewer, of the U. S. Supreme Court, president. It will hold its next meeting on the 11th inst.

A resolution for the investigation of Comptroller Bowler's action in holding up the sugar bounties has been introduced in the House.

MARY THURMAN BONANZA QUEEN

DAUGHTER OF THE "OLD ROMAN" MAKES A RICH STRIKE IN THE WEST.

Once the belle of Washington and now the bonanza queen of a Colorado mining camp, Mary Thurman, the youngest daughter of the "Old Roman," the late Allen G. Thurman, has had one of the most romantic careers of any woman in America.

Mary Thurman has been for the last five years a social exile from the fashionable circles of Washington and New York, where her brilliancy, originality and independence, and her father's national repute formerly gave her prestige and position. While in Washington she made what was supposed to be a brilliant marriage, but a divorce followed and she went West to San Diego and took up her abode at Tia Juanna, on the Mexican line.

Since then she has made two extraordinary marriages, and when she visited her old home at Columbus, O., shortly before her mother's death, her father turned her from his door.

News has just come from the mining camp of Picacho, near Yuma, that fortune has played the game into Mary Thurman's hands again, and that after years of luckless fate she will probably become one of the richest women on the Pacific Coast. She has made the richest strike known in any of the desert camps for years, and while prospecting in the hills found a vein of ore that promises to make her a bonanza queen.

The romance is enhanced by the fact that her find was made within a few days of the brilliant marriage in London ofher first husband, Lieutenant Commander William S. Cowles, a naval attache of the United States, to the heiress, Miss Roosevelt, sister of James R. Roosevelt the Secretary or the United Embassy.

Mary Thurman was her father's favorite child in her girlhood. She was named after her mother, who was a Miss Mary Dunn, of a well known Lexington, Ky., family, and she had much of her mother's social charm, with the mental endowments of her father. Her sister is the wife of ex-Gov. McCormick, Arizona, afterwards Assistant Secretary of the Treasury in Washington and now in New York.

Until the domestic difficulties which led to Mary Thurman's divorce from Lieut. Cowles, the two sistes lived at Richmond Hill, near Jamaica, L. I. in houses presented to them by their father. Mrs. McCormick still lives in New York the greater part of the year, and from here was summoned to the death bed of Judge Thurman a few weeks ago.

Mary Thurman presided over her father's house in Washington, so graciously that it became a centre of social life during his terms in the Senate, although Mrs. Thurman had little taste for gayeties. Mrs. McCormick's house adjoined her father's in Washington, and the two mansions were thrown together when either gave a large entertainment. The two sisters, one the wit and the other the beauty, were soon leaders in the younger social set.

Mary Thurman had a curious religious vein in her character, and narrowly escaped entering a nunnery in her early youth but the counsels of her family prevailed against her religious zeal. She was educated in the Ursuline Convent, Brown County, Ohio, and though she never became a member of the Catholic Church, she was a regular attendant at the Cathedral on Broad street, Columbus.

Her marriage to Lieut. Cowles took place with great eclat about sixteen years ago. He was then in command of the Despatch, a small vessel which lay at the Washington Navy-Yard, and was used for pleasure purposes. Their married life was an unhappy one, and by mutual agreement Mrs. Cowles secured a divorce through an Ohio court. She then went West and while traveling in Southern California met and married a dashing young adventurer—Thomas Scott Gifford—who was born of English parents in Spain and, instead of castles in Castile, proved to have a wife and two children. Mary Thurman then procured a second divorce and astonished her friends by marrying "Bug" Holiday, the noted baseball player.

She has lived a wild, adventurous life for the past few years, and is known in all the mining camps of Southern California. Always prone to enthusiasms, she caught the prospecting fever and her lonely walks among the hills have made her a familiar figure of the region.

What the bonanza queen will do with her fortune, should it develop as richly as it promises, is interesting her friends. It is scarcely probable that she will care to come East to the scene of her social triumphs and misfortunes; but in the role of a bonanza queen all things are possible.

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THE BORE WAS SHOCKED.

A Blunt Letter That Reached Him From the Interior Department.

The following anecdote is related of Judge Cox, who was once secretary of the interior: There is a class of people, and a large one, who find pleasure in corresponding with the departments on trivial subjects and prolong the correspondence indefinitely. A gentleman, let us call him Mr. Jones, was one of these persistent specimens who wrote to the interior department. Although replies were made to his inquiries, he always returned to the front with another unimportant question. His case became a subject of conversation among the clerks, and at lunchtime one day some one referred to Mr. Jones' ability as a letter writer.

"If I had my way," said a clerk, "I'd soon put an end to his nonsense."

"How would you do it?"

"Why, I'd write him a letter like this," and he wrote as follows:

DEAR MR. JONES—Yours of the 9th inst. received. In reply I would say that your intellectual capacities are rather inferior to those of a boneless codfish. I am tired of you. Hoping you will not write again, I remain, yours respectfully,

The letter was passed around and read and finally carelessly thrown aside on a desk. It remained there until evening, when it was collected, with others, by the messenger whose duty it was to carry letters from the several divisions to the secretary for his signature. It chanced to be among some letters relating to routine matters, and Secretary Cox affixed his signature without reading it. Then it went through the mail to Mr. Jones. The following day the secretary received a communication from Mr. Jones. He was shocked and grieved; he was fearful that the government was tottering to its fall. When a cabinet officer descended to penning such sentences, he said, he feared for the welfare of the country. Mr. Jones' wounded feelings were soothed by a personal letter from the secretary, and to show that there was no hard feeling on his part Mr. Jones at once renewed his correspondence with the department.—Washington Post.

NEWS OF LINCOLN'S DEATH.

An Illustration of the Improvement In the Means of Communication.

Writing upon the subject of "The Romance of Our News Supply," Mr. W. G. Fitzgerald tells a story about the death of President Lincoln which strikingly illustrates the improvement effected in our means of communication during the last 30 years. In those days there were no Atlantic cables working, and news of the shooting of the president and his subsequent death had to come by steamer. All night after Wilkes Booth's fatal shot had been fired Reuter's agent at Washington waited for the announcement of Lincoln's death, which was known to be imminent.

The president passed away at 7:30 the next morning at the very moment a great steamer was leaving for England. The energetic agent hired a fast tug and pursued the departing steamer until he was near enough to cast on her deck a tin canister containing the mournful tidings. This was the only intimation of Lincoln's death received in England by the mail. It was the custom in those days for swift yachts to meet the incoming Atlantic liners off the coast of Ireland. Tin cans of special construction were thrown overboard by the officers of the steamer and picked up by the yachts, after which the messages were conveyed with all possible expedition to the nearest telegraph office.—London News.

Marine Music a Failure.

Until some recent discoveries by Professor Saussier of Vevey, Switzerland, it was not suspected that fishes were affected by music. In a shallow inlet Professor Saussier found a queer arrangement of strings in the water which demanded examination. Viewing the affair from a distance with a water telescope he saw that some fishes, which had, by the usual painful method, gained possession of several fragments of fishline, were passing them around two sticks thrust into the water by some fisherman. When the strings were strung, the stakes were wedged apart by piling stones between them so as to tighten the strings, three or four fishes rolling a stone along the bottom with their noses. The operation was necessarily slow. The professor watched it at intervals for two or three days.

Finally, when all was ready, the largest fish seized a stick or bone, and, using it as a plectrum, twanged the strings with it, while the other fishes gathered around to hear the music. Of course, there was none, as the submerged strings refused to sound. After several trials the fishes tore up their water harp in disgust. They had probably caught their idea from Aimee Saussier, the professor's daughter, who was in the habit of playing a harp by the bank.—Boston Journal.

An Even Thing.

"My friend," he said in the soft tremolo which bespeaks the mendicant, "I'm in hard luck."

The man whom he was endeavoring to touch only walked the faster.

"I'm hungry and sleepy and I ain't got a thing ter eat nor any place ter lay my head."

"I haven't anything for you. I've heard all that before."

"Heard it before! Why, look 'ere, mister, this ain't no prize contest for originality. And if it is, you ain't got none the best o' me," he went on, slackening his pace, and dropping behind. "I've heard what you said before 'bout 'leven thousand times at the lowest calc'lation."—Washington Star.

Not a Crying Evil.

See the young woman.

Is the young woman being suddenly and unexpectedly kissed?

Ah, yes.

And does the young woman raise a hue and cry?

The young woman raises a slight hue, but no cry.—Detroit Tribune.

Beggar—Beg pardon, sir, but I have seen better days than this. Passer-by—So have I. The weather is horrid.

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TO ADVERTISERS.

In justice to ourselves and to you we wish to state that the circulation of the TRANSCRIPT is over 1,200 copies weekly and has been for the past five months. We believe this to be at least 25 per cent. greater than any other country weekly in the county. This statement is made merely to correct an erroneous impression which obtains in certain quarters.

THE LESSONS OF A LIFE.

Verily a good man has been taken and those who have known and valued Joseph Pyle will miss his warm-hearted greetings. From his life there are valuable lessons to be learned, and it pays, even amid the rush of business, to pause and consider them. For what is life, and whence this restless longing after those things that are just beyond the power to reach!

Joseph Pyle was one of God's noblemen. He was born on March 11, 1826, of that excellent Quaker stock which has given to the world so many men and women of sterling qualities. He began life as a poor boy and was very successful, doing good with his means with a liberal and yet discriminating benevolence that made him hosts of friends while he lived and that covered his coffin with flowers and tears when he lay peacefully in the repose of death. He was industrious. His fortune did not come unsought nor unearned. He mastered the details of his business and he knew what he was doing.

Joseph Pyle was a Christian, a man of whom it can be said as truthfully as of any one, "Behold! an Isrealite indeed in whom there is no guile." He was a big-hearted Christian and honored the profession that he made since he lived it. While he united himself with the Methodist Church and was devoted to that church he was generous and liberal towards all. His contributions and gifts to churches have been more than the average man saves in a life time.

Joseph Pyle was charitable and sympathetic. It was these characteristics that made him so popular among fraternal organizations, where his influence was ever on the side of right, morality and chrisiianity. Men came from Boston, from Providence from Binghamton from Baltimore, from Trenton, from Philadelphia drawn by fraternal bonds, to pay their respects to the memory of one whom they had learned to love. But there were undoubtedly in the rank and file of those who acted as escorts of the remains to their resting place, many men whose hearts burned within them at the recollection of timely aid extended them unostentatiously by him in an hour of need. The large concourse of people was a proof of this. He was in sympathy with the young and his life was devoted to Sunday-school work. He was engaged in this work, literally "dying in the harness," as he wished, when the final stroke of paralysis came last Sabbath. He made three Sunday-school addresses during the day and was called away at 7:30 in the evening.

Joseph Pyle was patriotic. He loved his country and was ever on the side of honest and good government. He served the people faithfully as a representative man in whatever capacity he was called, and had the party of his choice been in power in this State he would undoubtedly have been called to higher stations, though he could not have discharged the duties more faithfully than he did those of less distinction, for he always did his best. In this connection an incident is recalled which he related to the writer at his home some years since, characteristic of the man. No one can doubt Joseph Pyle's republicanism, for it was his conviction of his duty to his country, but he believed thoroughly in the rights of every man. His father-in-law was a Democrat and for some years made his home with his daughter and Mr. Pyle. On one occasion Mr. Pyle inquired of his father-in-law if he had paid his poll tax, Mr. Pyle having paid his with his property taxes, and Mr. Pyle promising to look after the tax, called upon the collector to find that his father-in-law had been "returned a delinquent," the tax never having been called for. Mr. Pyle was indignant and so empressed himself but was told "that is the law, and we abide by the law." Mr. Pyle gave the collector his opinion of such a law and said that while his father-in-law was a Democrat and his vote would kill his own, yet he resented such a law and its workings as an outrage. The collector thought "something might be done, it should be done if possible." It was found possible and "something was done" and Mr. Pyle had the satisfaction of seeing his father-in-law vote. "He was a Democrat," said Mr. Pyle, "and was suffered to vote," and the honesty and patriotism of Joseph Pyle shines out the more brilliantly in this very act.

Joseph Pyle is dead but his influence still lives. He left memorials in benevolences and charities during his life in every direction, in a beautiful Church adjoining his home property, in so many ways, but most of all in the helpful and hopeful daily life that he lived, the memory of which will encourage many a man through dark and discouraging places now the bright, sunny face is gone. The chief lesson from his life is to learn to adopt, so far as possible, those characteristics that made Joseph Pyle a good and noble man. If he were living he would wish for no grander results from his life save that all men might be reconciled to their God.

PARTISANSHIP NOT PATRIOTISM.

The object of political parties should be the enacting of laws for the better government of the people and the execution of those principals (principles) that tend to patriotism, virtue and morality. It is essential in a government like ours that there should be opposing parties to restrain the ambition and the evil purposes of designing men. It never was the design of any party in its virgin purity to foster paternalism and destroy the self respect of the electors by assuming to pay their taxes. The ambition for office and honor, however, have made such changes in the party policies that we now witness large sums being sent throughout the State by the leaders of one of the great parties for the purpose of paying taxes and a desperate struggle as to which faction will be accorded the privilege of holding the larger number of tax receipts. Such proceedings demoralize and destroy the manliness of the voter and elections are a farce, a barter and a sale.—*Pilot.*

The patriotism of the first part of the above editorial deserves as strong commendation as the partisanship of the latter part deserves censure. Every man who favors good government can give a hearty "amen" to the opening sentences, and every man who knows the partisanship hid in the concluding sentences can but hold the demagogism in contempt. It is with regret that we pen such a sentence, but it is with greater regret that we see so forcibly the truth of what we write. Personally we have the greatest respect for the gentlemen who control the *Pilot*, but politically, well! they are politicians and "the ambition for honor and office" is their excuse. Will they be frank and honest with the people and answer the following queries?

1. Did not the Democratic Party, through its representatives, pay the taxes of such of its voters in Sussex county as they feared would be returned delinquent in 1889, 1890 and 1891 when the Republicans controlled the Levy Court there and the collectors were Republican?

2. Did not the Hon. John W. Causey apply to the collector in Cedar Creek hundred to allow him to pay the taxes of certain Democrats in that hundred and he was allowed to do so—to pay them in bulk, it was said at the time?

3. Was it wrong for Mr. Causey and other Democrats to pay taxes then and did the Democratic papers condemn it?

4. What proof is there that "large sums are being sent throughout the State by the leaders of one of the great parties for the purpose of paying taxes"—the Republican Party being the one referred to? There is no proof and the TRANSCRIPT has good reason for believing that it is not true.

5. Did not the Democratic Party, through its party leaders and workers, bribe voters and purchase votes at the general election in this State in 1894?

6. Have not Democrats been equally guilty with Republicans in the practice of vote-buying in this State, and why should the Democratic press of the State condemn the evil in the Republicans and condone it in Democrats?

These questions could be multiplied, but a frank answer to the half dozen given above will satisfy us. Categorical answers would oblige us and hosts of our readers both Republicans and Democrats. The TRANSCRIPT has no desire to be partisan, and strives to keep away from it as an evil and we believe that our comments and queries above given are patriotic. We condemn the evils referred to, but we condemn just as strongly an unfair and unjust censure of only one party to a fault. Let us be honest with each other.

Other Democratic papers are invited to answer the above questions. What thinks the *Sussex Journal*, the *Seaford News*, the *Sussex Countian*, the *Delaware Democrat*, of the queries?

We are half inclined to stop here and await an answer though the "partisanship" which outranks the "patriotism" in the *Pilot* article is made so apparent in the following additional clipping:

"In view of the fact that there is such a contest who shall pay the taxes of the delinquent Republicans by the Higgins and Addicks leaders, it is the duty of the collectors to receive no taxes except paid by the person against whom the tax stands. The system of payment of taxes by bulk is not the intention of the law, besides it is a system of bribery. Let every man find the collector, pay his taxes, and put the receipt in his pocket and be a man for once in his life."

The advice which is given to the collectors is not patriotic; it is the most subservient partisanship. If we mistake not it makes a fals statement of the partisan decision of our partisan courts. It is with regret that we thus have to refer to the courts but the facts not only warrant it but demand it. The decision of the court was that it is optional with the collector whether or not he receive taxes from other than the person against whom the tax stands. The *Pilot* says "it is the duty of the collectors to receive no taxes" except in person. This is not legal but partisan advice. The decision of the courts is bad enough, which is interpreted by partisan collectors to mean that Republicans must pay in person and that Democrats may pay in bulk. That is the practice and, we believe, the intention of the law as passed by a partisan Legislature. But what of it all?

It is against good government. It is an oppression upon the tax payers and especially upon the farmers whose burdens are large enough, and yet they must meet these additional taxes for the money must come from some source. Have we a reader, Democrat or Republican, who disagrees? We have Republican readers who say "let us once get control and we will give them their own medicine" and we have Democratic readers who wink at these evil practices in their party, but the best men and women of all parties condemn them. How is it, Mr. *Pilot* with you?

WHOSE THE RESPONSIBILITY?

"Now that the Republicans have gotten control and organized the United States Senate they are trying to disavow any responsibility for legislation. Will they kindly inform the country which one of the minority parties they would like to have charged with the responsibility. Since they avoided any open coalition with the Populists but managed a secret deal by which they refrained from voting, possibly the Republicans have designed all the authority to themselves and all responsibility for any mistakes made, to the Populists because the latter permitted them, to have the responsibility."—*Seaford News.*

How extremely partisan is the above! Before the Senate has time to act on any measure the Democratic press is falling into its old habits of fault-finding. Let us analyze the criticisms of the *News*:

1. When and where have the Republicans tried "to disavow any responsibility for legislation?" The *News* has no proof to offer of any such effort. A single objection on the part of one senator would have prevented a reorganization of the Senate at the time it was done. The Democrats did not make that objection, showing very conclusively that they were only too anxious to turn over the responsibility to other and more competent hands, else why was not the objection made?

2. What evidence is there of any "coalition," "open" or otherwise? The Republicans treated the Populists in the organization of the Senate just as the Democrats had treated them two years before when the Democrats took charge of the committees. Does not the *News* know this? It should know it. Was there "coalition" then between the Democrats and the Populists, and was Senator Gray a party to it? "They avoided any open coalition" and "they refrained from voting"—who? And how have the Republicans "designated" all the authority to themselves? Matters are a trifle mixed, we think, in the *News* brain shop.

But who should be "charged with authority?" The men sent to Congress by the people to legislate for them irrespective of party; there is too much party and too little patriotism both in and out of Congress. The Democratic Party has not been able to legislate as a party the past two years and we believe the country is better off because of that fact. Now that the Silver Senators and the Populists hold the balance of power in the Senate there should be less of the partisan spirit among Democrats and Republicans. Utah has been admitted to the union and will soon send two Senators Republicans, making ninety Senators in that body. Of these 44 are Republicans, 39 are Democrats, and 6 are Populists, with a vacancy from Delaware. If Col. duPont is seated still the Republicans have not a majority, as Vice-President Stevenson has the casting vote. The utter absurdity and partisanship of the *News* is thus made apparent when it talks of Republican responsibility in a party sense in the Senate. It does not exist. The plurality party has always had the chairmanships of the principal committees in the Senate when there was not a majority of any party. The Republican Party is the plurality party and as such it can be relied upon to do its duty.

COL. DuPONT AND THE SENATE.

No better evidence is wanted of the strength and justice of Col. duPont's claims to a seat in the United States Senate than the partisan manner in which the editors of the Democratic papers treat the respective briefs of the attorneys in the case, the editors having judged and decided the case in advance of the evidence, and even denouncing as partisan any vote to seat Col. duPont. That is conclusive of the weakness of their argument, and it is said Gov. Watson's attorneys have not undertaken to answer the strongest argument set forth in the brief submitted by Messrs. Bradford, Higgins and Paine.

It would be interesting to know who employed Messrs. Moore, Wolcott and Kurtz, or what their standing is in the case anyway. Gov. Watson is not a party to the contest and Senator Gray had no authority to employ counsel, "advisory" as the *Every Evening* puts it. Such action would be an insult to the members of the Committee on Priviliges and Elections, composed as it is of some of the ablest constitutional lawyers in the country. But the *Every Evening* is trying to make it thus appear, and would have the treasury of the United States pay those attorneys big fees. That will not be done, but if the Democrats elect the next Legislature the people of Delaware will pay the bill, as they have paid other bills to Democratic lawyers for party services.

But Col. duPont will be seated and let Delaware go Republican next November and all will be well.

THE TRANSCRIPT last week punctured the pachydermatous hide of the *Index*. That is good, for that paper belongs to the rhinoceral family politically. The *Index* says the "yarn," respecting Collector Powell's attempt to deprive men of their votes by being shut up in a Philadelphia hotel, "has been exploded a long time ago." We have not so understood it and do not believe that it has been, but we shall inquire and the readers of the TRANSCRIPT shall know the results. The TRANSCRIPT will not knowingly misrepresent any one. The truth is hard enough on our friends, the enemy. We care nothing for the abuse of the *Index* or any other Snollygoster.

Important to Clergymen.

Clerical permits, entitling clergymen to half rates, issued by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company for 1895, have been extended by general order until February 29, 1896, and will be so honored by agents and conductors. Similar permits for the year 1896 will be issued by the Company upon receipt of proper application from those entitled to them.

Wanted use of stable and shelter for horse and carriage. Call at Booth's restaurant.

A TRIBUTE TO MY FRIEND.

FRANK W. MURPHEY.

It is my desire to take advantage of this opportunity to offer a durable tribute to the memory of my friend. The half dreamlike character of his absence most warns me to speak cautiously lest he himself should read, and then guy me for my folly. But that last peaceful look of his, and that deep grave persuades me he is dead and fills me with emotion difficult to suppress.

Poor Frank! silent contemplation more suits my present mood. These feeble words too slowly drag out my thoughts. The image of a good and almost perfect man standing in the full light of memory seems damaged by this piece meal reference, yet to me no other art of expression is given. By this mode, and this alone, or my thoughts and feelings remain untold.

To mourn seems strange inconsistency—that spotless soul now far removed from influences which contaminate—to mourn the loss! whose loss? Not ours for that were selfish Not his, for his, our in better faith, is gain. But our natures cling to this life, and in sympathy mourn when similar natures must yield it up. Reason cannot take sadness from the grave, nor can words bring full consolation to the bereft. That arc in the circle is gone. That chord irresponsive. Frank is gone—So Frank farewell. The long unbroken, sad unheard farewell! Our duty to you now, is our duty to all mankind, to cherish a lively recollection of your virtues. Honesty and sincerity of purpose, conduct and conviction, purity of heart, and simplicity of manner, firmness and devotion, of friendship, industry beyond physical strength, unselfish to nearly a fault, whole hearted and generous are among the recollections we cherish of you. Suffering beyond your portion was your lot. For this your peace is more triumphant! Again friend Frank, farewell. The want of closer contact, the doubting desire, the half dreamy hope gives to the lingering farewell a sweetness, thoughs sad, refreshes my waiting soul, Thy portion now in peace. In peace though yearning—farewell.

Strengthened in remembrance—ALBERT D. WILSON.

Jurors Drawn.

The following grand and petit jurors were drawn Tuesday to serve at the January term of the United States Court:

GRAND JURORS.

Wilmington—Benjamin G. Gam, J. Parke Postles, John M. Newell, John A. Mitchell Charles S. Rambo, George W. Bright, Robert H. Barr, James B. Hasson.

Appoquinimink—Alfred Herrick.

New Castle—Henry W. McMullen.

Pencader—Samuel Aldrich, James P. Ford.

North Muderkill—W. R. Allaband, J. Colby Smith.

South Murderkill—Samuel Lister, David Needles.

North West Fork—Henry P. Cannon:

Broadklin—John H. B. Mustard.

Seaford—Daniel Short.

Little Creek—Charles B. Elsey.

Broad Creek—David H. Boyce, John M. C. Moore.

Baltimore—Henry W. Hickman.

PETIT JURORS.

Wilmington—Samuel M. Knox, A. S. Reed, Frank S. Emmons, Hugh O'Harra, James Frantz, Thomas S. Lewis, William H. Foulk, Daniel P. Barnard, Jr., Thomas Mullan, Sr., David T. Bradford, Henry Witsil, Willis Holden, Henry C. Robinson, James D. Carter, William F. Kurtz.

Brandywine—William Cloud.

White Clay Creek—John T. Steele, William L. Wier.

New Castle—Patrick Eagan. Douglass McCoy.

Red Lion—William M. Stuckert.

Mill Creek—John R. Bringhurst.

Blackbird—William Fennimore.

East Dover—Joseph McDaniel, Henry Pratt, J. Frank Allee.

North Murderkill—William C. Ellison.

South " Asa C. Rogers.

Milford—Edward W. Reynolds, Peter L. Lofland.

Lewes and Rehoboth—Samuel R. Maull.

Indian River—George W. Brown.

The grand jurors will be summoned to appear at 11 o'clock on Tuesday morning January 14, and the petit jurors at 11 o'clock on the following morning. There are but three cases to try. One is the criminal case of United States vs. Lloyd on the charge of sending obscene matter through the mails. The other cases are the civil suits of Kemble vs. the Western Union Telegraph Company, and Johnson Forge Company vs. John R. Johnson.

JURORS FOR FEBRUARY TERM.

Prothonotary Woolley and Clerk of the Peace Foard have struck the following jurors for service in the Court of General Sessions and Superior Court at the February term:

Appoquinimink—William A. Alfree, John R. Carpenter, Jr., Daniel S. Richardson.

Blackbird—Charles W. Jones, James T. Webster.

Brandywine—Jesse P. Talley, Charles W. Day.

Christiana—David Lowther, Richard H. Williams.

Mill Creek—William R. Higgins, Wm R. Eastburn.

New Castle—John Moody, Edwin Givney.

Pencader—Thomas G. Porter, Henry Catts.

Red Lion—Albert C. Gray, William D. Mullen.

St. Georges—Albert Bendler, George D. Crossland.

White Clay Creek—John K. Mote, George J. Casho.

Wilmington—Elias Cole, Alfred L. Carmichael, George R. Tarbutton.

The panel which is now on duty in the Superior Court will serve for the first three or four days of the February term, and then the jurors named above will go on duty.

Booth has just laid in a supply of White Grapes, Bananas, Oranges, Nuts, also a line of fine Candy. Lowney's fine chocolates a speciality. In the Restaurant will give you anything you want to eat from 7 a. m. to 12 p. m. at Rice's old stand.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the Middletown post office which can be had by saying they are advertised Gorge Gibson, Albert Brown, Rhoda A. Thomas and Sarah Blackson.

George McKay, of Philadelphia, formerly a large contractor of that city, has purchased the Short's Landing farm upon which he will erect a factory 60x80 feet for the purpose of manufacturing a material to take the place of pig lead. One pound of the article to be manufactured is guaranteed to do as much caulking as three pounds of pig lead, is much lighter and consequently is much cheaper. The old wharf at Short's Landing is being torn down and a force of workmen are busily engaged in erecting a new and substantial one. Mr. McKay expects to have his plant finished sometime the latter part of next month and will employ from thirty to forty men, and will secure his labor from Smyrna if possible, as skilled mechanics, except the foreman and one or two others, are not needed.

IN KENT COUNTY.

Mr. Wm. Stanley Peters, formerly of Centreville, has been appointed musical director of Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church, Baltimore.

Mr. T. J. McWhorter, an old resident and prominent business man of Millington has moved to Philadelphia where his son, Dr. T. H. McWhorter will practise his profession.

The dwelling on the Still Pond Neck farm of Mr. James S. Harris, was destroyed by fire early Sunday morning. Loss about $500. No insurance The origin of the fire is unknown.

Cards have been issued for the wedding of Elmer I. Abbott, of Dover, and Miss Lillie M. Moore, of Cheswold. The ceremony will be performed in the Cheswold M. E. Church Wednesday evening Jan. 15th at 7.30 o'clock.

Smyrna can boast of as many men over 70 years of age as any other town of its size perhaps in America. A real estate firm has a list hung up in its office of thirty-five white men over 70 years of age, twenty of whom average 79 years.

A fire near Bacon Hill, Saturday night burned over about sixty acres of woodland. It was caused by the carelessness of a wood chopper, who had lighted a fire to warm himself. A number of the residents near by started backfires and thus prevented a further spread or the flames.

Work has begun on the new block of houses in Dover, to be built by Harry A. Richardson. It will be the finest block south of Wilmington. It will be about 100 feet square, the foundations are of Brandywine granite and the buildings will be of Connecticut sand stone and Pompeian granite.

Dr. Ezekiel Dawson, formerly of Kent county, but now a resident of Baltimore, and Mrs. Emma J. Van Leuvan, for several years a resident of Milford, but for the past year living at her old home in New York, were married New Year's day. The ceremony was performed in Philadelphia by Rev. John F. Crouch. They will reside in Baltimore.

Seven barges, owned by P. H. Haugen & Co., of Philadelphia, loaded with coal, consigned to Richmond, Va., and in tow of the tug Enterprize of Baltimore, broke away from the tug in Chesapeake bay off Tolchester Beach, during the storm Friday night. The iron barge Alliance, one of the tow, with over two hundred tons of coal aboard sank about the middle of the eastern channel and has gone to pieces, the Tolchester shore being lined with her wreckage. Three other of the barges came ashore near Tolchester wharf, but were gotten off, after having sustained but slight damages.

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MIDDLETOWN, DEL., JAN. 11, 1896

MAILS CLOSE.

Going north, 7.38, a. m., 10.15 a. m., 4.09 p. m. Going south, 8.55 a. m., 4.56 p. m. 5.51 Lock Pouch to Wilmington and Philadelphia. For Odessa, 9.10, 10.45 a. m., and 6.00 p. m. For Warwick, Cecilton, Earleville and Sassafras, 9.10 a. m.

THE CHURCHES IN MIDDETOWN.

Bethesda M. E. Church.—Rev. Isaac L. Wood, Pastor. Preaching every Sabbath at 10.30 a. m., and 7.30 p. m. Sabbath School every Sabbath at 2 p. m., A. G. Cox, Superintendent. Prayer meeting, every Thursday evening, 7.30 o'clock. Junior Epworth League and Epworth Cadets every Friday night at 7 o'clock. Young Ladies' Mission Circle, Monday nights at Parsonage. Women's Foreign Missionary Society, first Friday night of each month. Women's Home Missionary Society, first Thursday night of each month. Mite Society, first Saturday night of each month. Official Board meeting first Friday afternoon of each month at 2.30 o'clock.

Forest Presbyterian Church.—Rev. F. H. Moore, Pastor. Services held every Sabbath morning at 10.30 o'clock, and every Sabbath evening at 7.30. Sabbath School will be held every Sabbath morning at 9.15 o'clock, H. C. Ellison, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening. Young People's Society Christian Endeavor meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Junior Society Christian Endeavor every Sunday after noon at 3 o'clock.

Services at Armstrong's Chapel the first Sabbath of each month at 3 p. m.

St. Anne's Protestant Episcopal Church.—Rev. Wm. J. Wilkie, Rector. Holy Communion on the first Sunday in the month at 10.30 a. m. On all other Sundays at 7.30 a. m. Divine services every Sunday at 10.30 a. m., and 7.30 p. m. Morning Prayer and Litany every Wednesday and Friday at 10 a. m. Evening Prayer on Friday at 3.30 p. m. On all Holy Days service at 10 a. m., and 3.30 p. m. Sunday School at 9.45 a. m. Adult Bible Class at 6.45 p. m. The Guild meets every Thursday at 2 p. m., the Ladies on the first and third Fridays of each month at 2 p. m., the Boys' Club on Friday evenings at 7.30 and the Junior Auxiliary on Saturdays at 3 p. m.

NOTICE.

If you receive a copy of this paper which you did not order, consider it an invitation to subscribe. If you do not want it, kindly hand it to a neighbor. No charges is made for it unless ordered.

Local News.

—The school children will not be greatly delighted to learn that Washington's birthday comes on Saturday this year.

—No need to consult the thermometer to know that winter reigns this week. The noses and ears of the passersby indicate something like a zero temperature, and tingling fingers and toes prove positively that Jack Frost is King.

—The loss to the farmers in this community, from an unknown disease in the swine herd, is unprecedented, Ex-Recorder of Deed, James T. Shallcross is the heaviest loser. 90 large hogs from his herd having died recently, which he value dat $500:

—Gov. Watson has made the following appointments; David Rose, of Odessa, Justice of the Peace; John H. Satterfield, of Greenwood, Notary Public and Justice of the Peace; George W. Gordy, Delmar, Constable; Charles W. Sparhawk, Commissioner of Deeds.

—The Delaware Steam Marble Works at Wilmington, will be sold to close the estate of the late Thomas Davidson. Persons desiring to purchase marble or granite goods of the best quality and at the lowest prices, should call at the Works or write for particulars.

—The TRANSCRIPT acknowledges an invitation from the New Century Club of Wilmington to an Educational Conference, on Friday evening, Jan 17th at which County Superintendent C. C. Tindal will present the subject of "The Need of Normal Instruction in Delaware."

—Mr. A. G. Cox has moved his office from the back room to the front room of the Board of Trade Building, on South Broad street, and, to use his own term "is as snug as a bug in a rug" in his new and pleasant quarters which was originally the TRANSCRIPT's editorial sanctum.

—The rumble of the ice-wagon was heard in the land this week, and a plentiful harvest of ice has been gathered, the finest made in these parts for several years it is from four to five inches thick and as clear as crystal, for there has been no snow to spoil it. If there are any empty ice-houses left it is no fault of the weather-man.

Samuel McMullen, of Wilmington, has been appointed supverisor of the Delaware State Insane Asylum at Farnhurst by Superintendent Hancker, in accordance with the authority given him by the trustees at their last meeting. Mr. McMullen is a brother of Henry H. McMullen, speaker of the House of Representatives in this state.

—The Middletown Creamery Co. elected the following officers at the annual election last Saturday. President, W. R. Cochran; Secretary, D. M. Cochran, Treasuer, Isaac Gibbs; Directors, Henry Talbot, H. A. Nowland, L. P. McDowell, Chas. Ellison, D. M. Cochran, *Wm.* R. Cochran and Issaac Gibbs. A. dividend of 2½ per cent was declared.

—Whence comes this canard: "Two Middletown youths disguised as negroes went on a lark. They fell asleep in the gutter overloaded. When one woke up he took his companion for an aggressive negro and thrashed him soundly. His companion thought he was getting it from a negro. The truth finally dawned."—*Wicomico News.*

Victor M. Fountain, of DeLand, Florida, was married in that city; to Miss Annie E. Drabble on Saturday, Jan 4. Mr. Fountain was formerly of this town where he has many friends who wish him much wedded bliss: He is a successful business man, for many years with the Dreka Bros. in DeLand, and is well known in business circles North and South.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ezekiel Sparks moved to Smyrna on Wednesday, where Messrs. Armstrong, and Sparks formerly of the Middletown hotel, are again in the hotel business at the Smyrna House. Mr. and Mrs. Sparks and their genial associate, Mr. Armstrong, made many friends during their ten years residence in Middletown, and their going away is cause for general regret.

Henry Watterson, the eloquent lecturer and able editor of the Louisville *Couirer Journal*, will lecture in the Wilmington Opera House on Thursday evening, Jan. 16th, under the auspices of duPont Post, G. A. R., admission 50 cents. An effort is being made to secure reduced railroad rates from here and any person desiring to go should inform Mr. D. L. Dunning or leave word at the TRANSCRIPT office.

—The Ladies' Mite Society of the Presbyterian Church will give an entertainment in the Opera House on Thursday evening, January 23d, at which the Smith Brothers, vocalists and humorists, of Philadelphia, will take a prominent part. These gentlemen gave great satisfaction recently at one of Prof. Goldey's entertainments. There will be a supper after the entertainment an intellectual and gastronomic feast combined.

—The Lord Delaware Circle No. 19. Brotherhood of the Union elected the following officers at the last meeting on Friday night' E. *W.*, *W.* S, Letherbury; C. W., W. C. Eliason; C. F. P. L. McWhorter; C. J., H. Kilpatrick; H. H., H. G. Eliason; *W.* D., W. E. Smith; W. N., W. B. Argo; H. S. K., F. C. West; H. R., C. E. Ferris; H. T., M. Kumpel, Jr. The Circle has invited the Grand Circle to meet in Middletown at the next annual meeting in August.

—Remember that J. F. McWhorter has a full line of carriage and agricultural Implements on hand.

—Mr. Theodore Kumple has purchased the truck farm of Mr. Chas. S. Roberts near town, the sale being consummated on Tuesday.

—It is getting to be quite the thing to graduate and get a position through the recommendation of that fine school. Goldey's Wilmington, (Del.,) Commercial and Short Hand College. Get a Catalogue.

—An old friend of the TRANSCRIPT, a former resident of the town for 18 or 20 years, called upon us early on Monday morning, wishing us a very happy New Year with the renewal of his subscription. The TRANSCRIPT has had quite a number similar well wishes in the form of renewed subscriptions and they are all appreciated but our former fellow townsman brought us an item of news which is also always welcome in an up-to-date newspaper office. This item is of general interest to the whole people of the county and of special interest in Middletown. A neatly printed card told the who le story as follows: "Compliments of J. W. Hayes, for the year of 1896, Wilmington hundred, candidate for sheriff, subject to the voters of New Castle county." It will be noticed that Mr. Hayes appeals to the people and not to party. He thinks this day for party appeal is past and many agree with him.

—The skaters have had high carnival this week, and Silver Lake has been the scene of gayety. The pond was never in finer condition for skating, and the weather had all the requisite qualities, giving vigor and snap to even the sluggard, and imparting more life to the gay and vivavious. At times the town seemed almost deserted and everybody was, or wanted to be, at the pond either as particapants or spectators, and not only the young folks and children but those of matnier years were the number. There are a great many ladies who are much admired and complimented for their swift, graceful and agile movements, as they glide over the smooth surface, none more so than Mrs. W. E. Barnard, Miss Mary L. Price and Mrs. F. C. West; Miss Mabelle Taylor, there are also several gentleman whose records are established notable among whom are Edwin Prettyman and W. B. Biggs.

CHURCH CHIMES.

The revival services at the M. E. Church are well attended and a great deal of interest is manifested.

Rev. F. H. Moore exchanged pulpits Rev. S. B. Wylie of New Castle, on with Thursday evening.

The next annual State Sunday School convention will be held at Milford on March 5th and 6th:

Rev. R. Day Cantwell, of Elkton, has been appointed to fill the pulpit at Bethe M. E. Church during the absence of the pastor. Rev. T. B. Hunter.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of Forest Presbyterian Church meets every Sunday eve at 6.45 Topic for Sunday eve. Jan 12th—The peril and power of ambition. Meeting to be led by Miss Louise Reynolds'

Rev. Dr. Grise, of the M. E. Church, who for sometime has been engaged in preparing a history of Methodism in Georgetown, has completed his work and it will be published in the next two issues of the Conference Herald.

St. Paul's M. E. Church, of Wilmington, is making an effort to secure Dr. W. L. S. Murray as pastor, and if he can honorably obtain a release from his accepted invitation to the Covenent Church in Philadelphia, it is the very generally expressed desire of this Conference that he remain within its bounds.

Bishop Foss, resident bishop of Philadelphia, preached in the M. E. Church of this town on Monday night to a very large audience, the seating capacity of the auditorium being taxed to accommodate the people of all churches who came to hear the eminent divine. Experimental Religion was his theme, and the sermon from the text "We do know that we know Him" was not only logical and convincing but so simple that a child could comprehend it.

Public Sales.

THURSDAY, JAN. 16th—Executor's Sale of Real Estate of the late Wm. C. Webb at Port Penn at 2 o'clock, Henry Cleaver, Executor, and A. I. Swan, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, JAN. 23rd—Stock, farming implements and household goods of the late Henry Price, at 10 o'clock a. m. one mile above Port Penn, *Wm.* K. Price, administrator of Henry Price, A. I. Swan, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, FEB. 20th—Stock and Farm implements on road leading from Reybold's Station to Delaware City, by S. D. Townsend. A. I. Swan auctioneer.

MY MARYLAND.

At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Maryland Society, Sons of the American Revolution held recently, Dr. Joseph Veasy Wallace, of Chesapeake City, was elected a member. Dr. Wallace is a lineal descendent of Captain Veasy who commanded one of the Maryland companies at the battle of Long Island.

William J. Duhamel, a prominent citizen of near Cecilton, was found about 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon lying unconscious in a ditch along the public road, two miles from Elkton, on the road between Elkton and Chesapeake City. He was found by Stage Driver James Wharton, of the Elkton and Chesapeake City Stage line. He was taken to Elkton and a physician summoned who found a deep wound on the back of his head and his face and one hand badly cut and bruised. His injuries are of a serious and perhaps fatal character, as it is feared his skull is fractured. The accident was caused by his horse running away. He had been in attendance at the Circuit Court, being a member of the jury in the libel case of Windolph vs. Elv and Sappington.

Fifty-two Dividends.

As a general thing investors are pleased to receive only two dividends a year, and if they are paid with regularity are fully satisfied. When one, however, can receive fifty-two dividends in a year upon an investment of only three dollars, the matter deserves very serious attention.

The Independent of New York for forty-seven years has held the first position among the great religious literary and family weeklies of the land. It presents features for the coming year far in advance of any heretofore offered. It has the leading contributors of the world, it prints the best poetry, it has twenty-one departments, edited by specialists, devoted to Fine Arts, Science, Insurance, Finance, Biblical Research, Sunday School, Missions, Health, etc. The Independent is particularly fitted for intelligent people, whether professional men, business men or farmers, and for their families. It costs but six cents a week, and gives a great deal for the money A subscriber receives fifty-two dividends a year.

The subscription price of the Independent is only three dollars a year, or at that rate for any part of a year, and a sample copy will be sent to any person free by addressing The Independent, New York City

PERSONALITIES

Little Lines About Men and Women and What They Are Doing.

—Dr. I. L. Wood was in Philadelphia on Thursday.

—Mr. George Booth visited old friends in Elkton on Sunday.

—Miss May Beaston spent this week at Cecilton, the guest of Miss DuShane.

—Messrs William Taylor and *W.* J. Barnett were in New York City several days this week.

—Miss Rachel Parrot and Mr. M. Price, of Still Pond, Md. spent Saturday with Middletown friends.

—"Uncle" John Armstrong, as he is familiarly known, spent Sunday in town, having driven up from Smyrna.

—Mr. William S. Moor returned home on Wednesday in no way improved by his visit to the hospital in Philadelphia.

—Gov. John E. Rickards, of Montana, and his sister, Mrs. M. E. Carlisle, spent Sunday with their Middletown relatives.

—Mrs. Margaret A. Wright has been quite ill during the past week at the residence of her son-in-law, M. B. Burris, Esq.

—Mrs. Dora Jump, of Still Pond, Md., is visiting Mrs. V. L, Culbertson. It has been eight years since her last visit to Middletown and her many friends here are leased to havr her in their midst again.

Murder at Chesapeake.

Capt. Thomas Camp, of the schooner Manaway, was murdered at Chesapeake City on Thursday night of last week. His dead body was discovered floating in Back Creek near the mouth of the canal, Friday afternoon, and upon being identified, the authorities began on investigation which has led to the arrest of James H. Tress, engineer for the Diebert Bros. Chesapeake.

The "Manaway" was laid up for repairs at the dry dock of Diebert Bros. in Chesapeake, the crew was released, and only the captain remaining with the schooner. He was last seen on the boat at about five o'clock Thursday p. m. A pool of blood near the boat showed that the crime was committed there and the body dragged along the shore and thrown into the water. A sledge hammer was discovered as the instrument used. The head of the captain was horribly crushed and the skull fractured in three places. The object of the murder was robbery, as an empty purse which had contained $125 was discovered near the place of the attack. Captain Camp was a highly respected resident of Goshem, N. J., where his wife and one son reside. He was fifty years old and was known to be a sober and upright man, James Henry Truss, the suspected murderer, was a member of the Coroner's jury at the inquest, his over anxiety to discover the murderer lead to the suspicion that he himself was the guilty party, and the evidence against him was deemed sufficient to hold him. He is awaiting a hearing in the Elkton jail.

CURRENT EVENTS.

Preaching at Armstrong's Chapel to-morrow afternoon at the usual hour.

A terrible earthquake occurred in Persia on Thursday, the city of Kuchan is said to be destroyed and 12,000 lives lost.

Lloyd Lowndes took the oath of office at Annapolis on Wednesday and became the Governor of Maryland amid the most enthusiastic crowd that eyer thronged the capital city. He is Maryland's first Republican Governor.

Satolli, Papal delegate to the United States, donned the scarlet cap on Sunday when he was elevated to the rank of a Cardinal, in the Baltimore Cathedral, with imposing ceremonies, the most gorgeous ecclesiastical display since Cardinal Gibbons was raised to that office.

England has apparently forgotten the Venezuelan trouble and the war scare with the United States in the more real danger in the South African affair. It is the German Kaiser who is twisting the lion's tail this time, and unless Wilhelm backs down war seems to be imminent. The interference of the German Emperor with the British Goverment and its Transvaa protectorate in South Africa is "insufferable," and the two great powers of Europe seem ready to fly at each other.

Utah was received into the happy family of states on Saturday, and on and after July 4th next there will be forty-five stars on the national banner. Utah enters the Union as Republican, and brings with her 4, 970 square miles and a population of 300, 000. Uncle Sam is gathering his family about him, only five left to become states. They are: Arizona, Indian Territory, New Mexico, Oklahomo and Alaska. The Governor and other state officials of Utah were sworn in on Monday in Salt Lake City. The ceremonies were imposing.

Up-To-Date Journalism.

The most important news centers of the world to-day are Cuba, where the revolution is steadily gaining ground; Venezuela, where preparations are being made to sturdily resist British aggression; London, where the British views with reference to the Venezuelan and South African disputes will first come to light, and Washington, where the Venezuelan Commission will begin its work and where Congress is wrestling with subjects of vital interest to all classes of the American people.

In order to get the news from these great centers promptly and accurately "The Philadelphia Press" has established Julian Ralph in London; has started Col. George Nox McCain, of Gov. Hastings' staff, to Venezuela; has located William F. Mannix in Cuba and has strengthened its corps of special Washington correspondents. Every phase of events which will probably prove the most exciting of this decade will be fully reported and graphically illustrated. "The Press" is admittedly the leading newspaper of Pennsylvania and one of the greatest of the national newspapers of the country. In this enterprise it leads all competitors.

Wines and Liquors.

At the Family Liquor Store of James A. Kelley Tenth and Shipley streets, Wil. you will find the largest stock of Rye Whiskies Brandies, Gins, Cordials, etc, in the city. Mr. Kelley is agent for the Toklon Wine Company of Oakville, Cal., from whom he receives every week a large invoice of the finest wines in the market, which he is selling at the low price of 50 cents a large bottle or $1.50 per gallon. These goods combine the following: Blackberry, Port, Sherry, Claret, Catawba and Rhine Wine. Also finest stock of Foreign and Domestic Ales, etc. Phone 414. Mail orders promptly filled.

A Card.

Having returned to my old field of labor I respectfully offer my professional services to the citizens of Middletown and vicinity. Office next door to *Wm.* B. Kates saloon. Office Hours 8 to 10 a. m. 7. to 8.30 p. m. Can be found at nights, at Naudain's corner Broad St. side.

Very Respectfully.
W. F. KENNEDY.

CHESAPEAKE CITY.

Misses Emma Reed and Elsie Karsner were in Philadelphia part of this week.

Miss Laura Lambert, of St. Augustine, spent Sunday with Miss Emma Morgan.

Miss Annie Young, of Bel Air, Md., was the guest of her cousin, Miss Kate Price this week.

Miss Carrie G. Brady spent part of last week with relatives in Trenton and Philadelphia.

Miss Nellie E. Boulden spent this week with her cousin, Mrs. William Jones, of near Cecilton.

Misses Evelyn Kibler and Helen M. Clayton, of near town, are visiting relatives in York and Harrisburg, Pa.

Oliver B. Hayes died at the residence of his sister, on Saturday evening of last week His funeral was held on Tuesday, interment in Bethel Cemetery.

Messrs Stanley Steele and Byron N. Bouchelle have returned to school. The former to the University of Maryland, the latter to St. John's College.

Mrs. Amanda Hedrick, wife of Postmaster Hedrick, died at her home on Wednesday lastin the 65th year of her age. Her illness was a long and severe one. Her funeral was held from her late residence on Tuesday last, interment in Bethel Cemetery.

The I. O. O. F. gave a treat to their families and all those who rendered them service at their fair during Christmas, in their lodge room Tuesday evening. The refreshments consisted of ice cream, cake, and lemonade, and the visitors were greatly entertained by the "Graphaphone."

The "Monday Evening Club" will give on Wednesday evening, Jan. 29th in Masonic Hall, a select entertainment consisting of a farce comedy entitled, "Which is Which," music, both instrumental and vocal, the instrumental consisting of harp solos, and selections by Orchestra and "The White Caps," in which the "Mother Goose" drill will be introduced.

TAYLOR'S BRIDGE.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac R. Staats spent part of last week in Wilmington.

Miss Nellie B. Wallace who has been visiting her uncle, Thos. Jones, returned to her home in Chester, Wednesday.

Capt. Geo. W, Bowen, of Camden, N. J. has bought the woods on the farm of Mrs. Dr. R. P. Johnson and has a number of men engaged in making railroad ties.

The annual election of the Epworth League was held last Thursday evening and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: H. S. Woodkeeper, Pres; Laura Woodkeeper, 1st, Vice Pres; John D. Reynolds, 2nd. Vice Pres: Carrie J. Staats, 3rd, Vice Pres; Clara M. Elliott, 4th Vice Pres; Walter J. Staats, Secretary. Jessie R. Staats, Treasurer.

The "Mother Goose" social last Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. Alex Deakyne was a profitable as well as a pleasant affair. In the early part of the evening the literary program that had been prepared was creditably rendered. Declamations were given by Misses Clara N. Elliot and Elsie Staats, Miss Nellie Wallace, of Chester, recited "Jane Conquest" in a manner that pleased all that heard her; Miss Draper amused the company when she read the "Old Maid's visit to N. Y." The dialogues were also very interesting. Miss Elsie Deakyne sang a solo very nicely. Soon after Mother Goose put in her appearance and for the remainder of the evening Simple Simon fishing and Little Jack Horner with his pie amused the company and collected the nickels. The old woman that lived upon victuals and drink presided over a table at which coffee and cake were sold, Every one present seemed to enjoy the occasion, and the League made over nine en dollars.

FROM OLD SUSSEX.

The Greenabaum Bros. who have one of the largest canning factories in the State at Seaford, are preparing to erect a new canning house at that place for canning peas.

At the town election in Lewes held Saturday, Edward Tracy was elected mayor, D. W. Brereton, treasurer, Charles A. Moore, assessor and Hon. E. W. Tunnell, Dr. W. P. Orr and William P. Thompson auditors.

The marriage of Miss Virginia Bryan Causey to Mr. McBlair Lloyd was celebrated at the residence of the bride's father, Peter F. Causey, in Milford, Wednesday morning. The bride is a grand-daughter of the late ex-Gov. Causey of this state and a niece of ex-Congressman John W. Causey. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. L. McKim, rector of Christ Church, Milford. A Brussels lace bertha worn by her maternal grandmother fifty years ago was a part of the bridal array. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd will reside at Wye Heights, Md.

Florida.

It would be hard to find any condition of human ailment that a Winter visit to Florida would fail to improve, while those who enjoy good health cannot realize, whithout experience, what true enjoyment there is in life passed under the golden skies of the "Land of Flowers." In order to give the public an opportunity to visit Florida at a very reasonable cost, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged for a series of tours to Jacksonville. Since the system of personally-conducted tours inaugurated by that company has been in effect, none but words of commendation have been received. Its unexcelled train service, experienced Tourist Agents and Chaperons, and above all, its moderate charges, leave nothing to be desired.

The tours to Jacksonville, allowing two weeks, stay in Florida, will leave New York and Philadelphia on January 28, February 4, 11, 18, and 25, and March 3, 1896. The rate, including transportation, meals *en route*, and Pullman berth on special train, is $50.00 from New York, and $48.00 from Philadelphia; proportionate rates from other points.

For futher information apply to Ticket Agents, or address Tourist Agents, 1196 Broadway, New York, or Room 411, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia, to whom application for space should also be made.

A Speofal Jury

The following special jurors have been struck to try the case of John W. Wright vs. the Wilmington City Railway Company in the Superior Court next Monday: George W. Gray John P. Doughten, James Megary; W. P. Richardson, Herbert Yeaton Joseph Derrickson, Eli. Davis, George G. Kerr, Patrick McGrory, William Deakyne, David C. Rose, Jr., Samuel Alrichs, William M. Stuckert, John W. Carrow, Clarence E. Pool, George M. D. Hart, Alonzo S. Whittock, Thomas Maloney, Isaac L. Staats, William Lockerman, John B. Le Fevre, Joseph Hersel and Levi C. Scott.

Wright, who was a motorman, claims $10,000 for injuries to the right arm sustained at Eleventh street bridge on September 27, 1894 by the flying pieces of a broken frog. He will be represented by Artemas Smith.

TOWNSEND TOPICS.

Mr. Frank Wells who has been very ill, is slowly recovering

Mrs. Frank Taylor, of York, Pa., is the guest of Mrs. Charles Hubbard.

Mrs. Aulley Hill and her little daughter High were guests of Mrs. J. S. Lattomus on Tuesday.

The skating is said to be fine on Harmon's pond and many of our young folks visit there daily.

The Ladies Aid was quite royally entertained at the home of Mr. Edward Hart on Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Scott and Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Maloney spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jester, near Delaware City.

W. A. Scott and J. S. and W. Lattomus have erected new ice houses, and are filling them with ice from four and a half to five inches thick.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Lizzie Johnson, of near Sassafras, to L. P. Atwell, formerly of this community, on the 15th of this month.

The meetings held in our church during the week have been attended with some success. There was one conversion on Wednesday evening and we hope this is only the beginning.

The following officers of Townsend, Council, No. 11, of the Jr. O. U. A. M., were installed on Friday evening Jr. P. C., W. C. Money; C., G. T. Stant; V. C., H. A Hart; A. R S., J. A. Lynam; Warden., W. B. Ingram; Conductor., G. E. Pinder; I. S. W. H. Wright; O. S., *W.* A. Lynam; Trustee., T. A. Enos; Representative to S. C., J. D. Stradley.

Mrs. Ellen Timmons, wife of Thomas Timmons, died on Sunday afternoon after a lingering illness, she was in her fifty-fourth year. Her husband, three sons and one daughter survive her. She was laid to rest on Tuesday afternoon. The pall bearers were her three sons, William. John and Corbit, Mr. George Carter, a son in law, Mr. George Dennis, her brother, and Mr. John Naylor.

ODESSA NOTES.

Prof George A. Bunting spent Sunday in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Corbit have returned from Wilmington.

Mr. Daniel Corbit returned Tuesday from a visit to Philadelphia.

Miss May Janvier, of McDonough, has been a guest of Mrs. J. W. Watkins.

The Misses Williams spent a part of the past week with relatives in Philadelphia.

Miss Amelia Vandegrift is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Vandegrift.

Extra meetings have been in progress at the M. E. Church for the past week with very good attendance.

During the protracted meetings at St. Paul's Church the Chautauqua Circle will meet on Saturday evenings.

Skating during the recent cold weather has been excellent and the pond filled for the most part with merry skaters.

The house on High street, formerly occupied by the late Capt. Walker and family, is now occupied by Mr. Elwood Duland.

On Tuesday the directors of the Odessa Creamery Co. declared a dividend of 10 per cent upon their capital stock for the year just ended.

Those possessing ice houses have been taking advantage of the cold snap to get them filled. The ice is about five inches thick and of good quality.

On Tuesday the sad intelligence of the death of May Birdsall, of Philadelphia, granddaughter of Mr. Wm. S. VanDyke of this town, was received here. She was a very bright and promising child and her death from diphtheria at the early age of ten years was a sad blow to all. The most heartfelt sympathy is extended to her parents and grandparents in their bereavement.

DELAWARE CITY.

Mrs. Isaac Ubil is somewhat better.

Red-upping is the order of the day.

Miss M. Morris was in Wilmington this week.

Charles Southwick has returned from Ft. Hamilton.

Rev. Geo. S. Gassner spent Thursday in Wilmington.

Miss Hannah Swan has gone back to Philadelphia.

Miss Sallie Gassner returned to St. Mary's Hall on Monday.

Mrs. Alex. Jarrell visited the Quaker City on Tuesday.

James Morris, of Philadelphia, was in town on Tuesday.

Mrs. John Swan, Jr., spent a few days in Baltimore this week.

Miss M. Higgins has returned from a visit to Woodbury, N. J.

Mrs. Bradway and daughter have returned from Philadelphia.

The Major Reybold has discontinued her trips on account of the ice.

Howard Ayers has been confined to the house with a sprained ankle.

Mr. Warren has returned from a visit to his mother in Chestertown Md.

William Morris who was taken very ill on Tuesday is much improved.

Leon Allen, of Philadelphia, spent the holidays with relatives in town:

Mrs. John Corbit and sons, of Chester visited Michael Corbit last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ferguson, of Wilmington, visited his parents last week.

Misses Annie A. and Lizzie Pennington, spent a few days with relatives in Philadelphia this week.

David Brown, of Washington, D. C., was the guest of his father, Andrew Brown, on Wednesday.

William Haman, of Dutch Neck, is the guest of his uncle, Geo. C. Bennett, in Harrisburg.

Misses Berenice Keane and Bertha Vandegrift have gone back to school in Virginia.

There was so much ice in the river on Monday, the workmen employed at Fort Delaware were unable to cross, until a tug conveyed them in the afternoon. They will be obliged to remain there some time on account of the difficulty in crossing.

Miss Agnes Vail, of Dutch Neck, entertained a few friends on Friday evening. The invited guests were Misses Gertrude Sadler, Mary Keybold, Nellie Vail, Julia Sadler, Stella Ferguson and Berenice Keane. Messrs. Charles McMunn, Russel Pennington, Guy Vail, Malcolm Reybold, Harry Price and W. D. Clark.

Mr. J. L. Grissinger

Nervous and Weak

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G. L. TOWNSEND, Secretary.

Notice--Dividend

PEOPLES NAT. BANK, OF MIDDLETOWN, MIDDLETOWN, DEL., December 28th, 1895.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a dividend of Two and one-half per Cent for the last six months, payable on and after Saturday, January 11th, 1896.

GEO. D. KELLEY, Cashier.

Notice Dividend!

NEW CASTLE CO. NAT. BANK, OF ODESSA ODESSA, DEL., January 1st, 1896.

The Directors have this day declared a Dividend of Three and one-half per cent. for the past six months, clear of taxes, and payable on and after the 8th, inst.

JOS. L. GIBSON, Cashier.

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Dividend Notice!

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The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Three Per Cent. clear of taxes, payable to the stockholders on and after January 15th, 1896.

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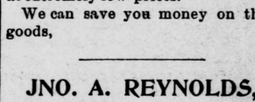

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SECRET SOCIETIES.

Middletown Council, No. 2, Jr. O. U. A. M. Meets every Monday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Union Lodge, No. 5, A. F. & A. M. Meets first Tuesday of each month in Town Hall.

Good Samaritan Lodge, No. 9, I. O. O. F. Meets every Thursday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Damon Lodge, No. 12, K. of P. Meets every Wednesday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Major John Jones Post, No. 22, G. A. R. Meets every Friday night in Town Hall at 7 o'clock.

Welcome Conclave Heptasophs. Meets every second and fourth Friday night in K. of P. Hall.

Union Lodge, No. 6, A. O. U. W., meets every 2d and 4th Tuesday night in McWhorter's Hall.

Lord Delaware Circle, No. 16, Brotherhood of the Union. Meets 1st and 3d Friday, McWhorter's Hall at 8 p. m.

LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS.

Volunteer Hose Company, meets first Friday night of each month in Hose House.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., JAN. 11, 1896

MIDDLETOWN MARKETS.

PRODUCE.

Creamery Butter, lb	30c
Country Butter, lb	25c
Eggs, doz	22c
Lard, lb	9c
White Potatoes, basket	20@25c
Apples, basket	45@50c
Chickens alive	8c
" dressed	10c
Ducks, alive	9c
" dressed	10c
Turkeys, "	12c

GRAIN.

Wheat, No. 1, bus	62c
Wheat, No. 2, bus	60c
Timothy Seed, bus	2 60
Clover Seed, bus	6 00
Corn, yellow, bus	28c
Corn, cob, bus	28c
Oats, bus	18c

Of Interest .....To Farmers

THE EVILS OF EARLY RISING.

We suppose that even the poets, with the possible exception of Mr. Alfred Austin, would admit that poetry today does not get the consideration it received in the good old days. We no longer look upon a poet as a sort of inspired being with a special message to the world, and therefore not to be judged by the ordinary standards that apply to average men. As an oracle he has been supplanted by the scientist, whose facts even when stated in the most halting prose, are esteemed as of more value than the most scintillating fancies of the poet. It is true the poets still continue to sing; but they must often feel that they sing to unheeding ears.

In view of all this it is interesting to note the fact that in one matter science has actually come to the defence of the poets. Everybody knows that all well constituted poets have written—or, to speak poetically, have sung—in praise of sleep, and plenty of it. It is not necessary to give examples of this, for even Macaulay's schoolboy knows it. Moreover, while all poets advocate sleep, there are some whom we might name who induce—but that is another story. What we want to impress on the reader is the fact that the poet has always stood up for sleep as a sacred privilege and duty, even in this restless and sleepless age, when the time spent in sleep is looked upon as a dead loss.

But, as we have said, science, in the person of Dr. Selden H. Talcottt, the superintendent of an insane asylum at Middletown, N. Y., has in this matter indorsed the views of the poets. We do not understand that Dr. Talcott is a poet himself, or that he holds a brief for the poets. It may be that he did not have their vindication in mind at all. But that only makes his testimony to their veracity the more valuable. Briefly, he calls attention to the relative frequency of insanity among people who live on farms. It is usually said that this is due to the isolation of their lives, their excessive toil and, possibly, their inordinate consumption of pie and pork. But this explanation is far from conclusive; for against it must be put the fact that farmers usually live temperate lives in the open air, and that they are almost wholly free from the many forms of mental strain and overwork that do so much to produce insanity in other classes of the community. Dr. Talcott's theory is that insanity among farmers and the families of farmers is largely due to their excessively early hours of rising. Early rising, he thinks, is especially harmful to growing children, and may cause such a derangement of their nervous system as will make them easy victims to mental disorders in later life. We are not in the confidence of the farmer's boy; but we think we may assert, without fear of contradiction, that when he hears of Dr. Talcott's theory, if he ever does, he will at once look him upon as the greatest man that this age has produced. For the necessity of getting up early, except when he is going for a day's fishing, is the one great sorrow in the life of every well-ordered farmer's boy. When he had only the poets on his side he could hardly hope for deliverance; but now, that science has called attention to the deadly effects of early rising, the case is different. The day of his redemption is dawning.

Seriously, the point that Dr. Talcott makes is worth the consideration of others than farmers. A sound and sufficient sleep lies at the basis of all physical and intellectual well-being. And it is a grave question whether the lack of a proper amount of sleep is not responsible for many of the nervous disorders of people to-day in every walk of life. Nature is inexorable, and her law prescribing a certain period of our lives for physical rest cannot be violated with impunity.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

GOING INTO DEBT FOR A FARM.

Whether a man can run in debt for a farm and pay for it off the farm, depends much on the man and family. That some men can do it, on good farms, is demonstrated by the experience of Mr. Pegalow, as given by a writer in the *Country Gentleman.*

In 1877 Fred Pegalow of Dodge County, Wis., bought 90 acres of prairie land for $4500 at 7 per cent. Five years later he bought 40 acres for $1200 at 8 per cent, making total cost of 130 acres $5700. At the time he was thirty seven years old and newly married. His capital was $900 cash, two cows, a few farm tools, and grit.

The first year he raised wheat. The next the crop was a failure, and he discarded wheat. From 1879 to 1892 his principal sale crop was barley. First year, 1879, sold 900 bushels. Increased the acreage and for several years sold from 1800 to 2000 bushels yearly. Increased his cows to average herd of about 15 cows. The yearly sale of hogs would average about 40. A few sheep were kept a part of the time, say 30 to 40. Four to six horses were kept for farm use.

The expense of hired help the first two years was $75 a year; after that from $130 $200 per year. The improvements, in 15 years from purchase, necessitated an expenditure of about $3500. In 1887, a cyclone destroyed buildings, stock and crops, valued at $1500. In fifteen years from the day of purchase, at the age of fifty-three years, in 1892, the farm debt was cancelled in full. Mr. Pegalow has had an offer of $70 an acre, or $9100 for the farm. Would not care to sell at $75 an acre.

Mr. Pegalow came to this country from Berlin, Germany, in 1872 and had experience of six years in the army. Three years of this time was a record of war. Mr. Pegalow and family have been hard workers, good managers, comfortable livers, and his children have had the advantage of the public school. The family, at times, suffered some drawbacks from sickness, but the cyclone was the most serious setback.

PENINSULA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Ninth Annual Meeting of the Peninsula Horticultural Society will be held at Denton, Maryland, Jan., 15, 16, and 17. The following is the program:

Programme.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15TH, 2 P. M.

Address of Welcome, Prof. M. B. Stephens
Response.....Col. E. L. Martin
President's Annual Address,
.....Hon. H. E. Van Deman

WEDNESDAY, 7 P. M.

Reports of Committees on—
Fruits in General.....Charles Wright
Propagation of Trees and Plants,
.....R. G. Nicholson
Address on "Management of Orchards," by.....Prof. W. F. Massey, of N. C. Experiment Station.

THURSDAY, 9 A. M.

Report of Committees on—
Apples.....C. G. Brown
Pears.....Capt. R. S. Emory
Peaches.....J. L. Banning
Address on "The Greatest Need of the Hour for Fruit Growers,".....by Hon. Geo. T. Powell, Ghent, N. Y.

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

Reports on Committees on—
Grapes.....Jos. E. Carter
Small Fruits.....A. J. McMath
Fruit Packages.....Geo. T. Powell
Address on "The Nurseryman's obligations to the Farmer,".....H. Augustine, Normal, Illinois.
"Experience in Spraying,".....Prof. F. D. Chester, Delaware Experiment Station.

THURSDAY, 7 P. M.

Reports of Committees on—
Plums.....J. W. Kerr
Edible Nuts.....Wm. P. Corsa
Address on "Insecticides,".....by C. L. Marlett, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

FRIDAY, 9 A. M.

Reports of Committees on—
Insects....Prof. Beckwith of Delaware Experiment Station
Fungous Diseases....Prof. James S. Robinson, Md. Exp. Station.
Marketing Fruits....J. J. Black, M. D.
Address.....by M. B. Waite Department of Agriculture Washington, D. C.

FRIDAY, 2 P. M.

Reports of Committees on—
Crimson Clover.....S. H. Derby
Potatoes.....W. L. Elzey
Melons.....P. P. Wyncoop
Tomatoes.....Geo. Biddle
Address on "Necessity of Better Methods in Marketing Fruits,"....Prof. Jas. S. Robinson, Maryland Experiment Station.

FRIDAY, 7 P. M.

Reports of Committees on—
Landscape Gardening, Dr. Lewis Buffett
Asparagus.....Geo. H. Murray
Nomenclature.....Jas. B. Gilchrist
Floriculture.....Geo. D. Smeallie

Professor S. B. Heiges, U. S. Pomologist has promised to be present if possible.

The program is suggestive rather than absolutely rigid, but will be followed as closely as circumstances will permit. While Mr. Powell, Mr. Augustine, Prof. Massey and others are down for only one address each, they will engage in the discussion on the various topics so that practically the meeting will have the benefit of several lecturers or talks from these distinguished horticulturists. One or two well-known and successful fruit growers and investigators whose names do not appear on the programe have conditionally promised to be present.

Arrangements have been made by Mr. J. W. Kerr, to convey those who attend from Ridgely, the railroad Station to Denton.

The Society is organized in the interests of Fruit Growers, and its members are the leading horticulturists of the Peninsula.

Ladies are cordially invited to attend this meeting and to take part in the discussions.

The Annual Report is a pamphlet of great value and is free to members.

All members and visitors, are requested to bring samples of fruit, especially of apples, and place them on exhibition.

A display of fruit packages has been invited, and some manufacturers have promised to send exhibits.

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Our Woman's .....Column

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The girl who feels herself superior to her mother in education and who shows to the world at large her contempt for a lack that only her own superior good fortune prevented her from possessing, is a figure that we are happy to say is not met with often; yet it does exist, and whenever we see a self-complacent young woman openly correcting her mother we feel like giving her a good shaking and telling her that the plain spoken, ungrammatical and possibly unrefined woman who has never had her advantages is in reality wiser than she will ever be, and that to impress outsiders a little more consideration is necessary.

No matters how your mothers may speak, their hearts are in the right place; if their attire is old-fashioned and their manners not up to the frills of the nineteenth century standard, they have had experience of more value than all the schooling and extra accomplishments that you may think of such shining excellence. Heed your mothers—you will never regret it. We are not preaching just because we must talk on some topic, and this is as good as any other. We are telling you what we know, for in looking back over days which we never can recall we recognize with acute distinctness that much of the experience we purchased at a dear price would not have cost us anything if we had heeded loving advice, which at the time we considered old-fashioned and applying only to mother's day and generation.

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PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

At any time when the cook requires the white of an egg and not the yolk, break the shell carefully and drop the untouched yolk into a cup of cold water. Here it will keep for several days if necessary, to be used when required.

Use a sponge in cleaning paint, in preference to a cloth. It saves time and painters claim the result is much more satisfactory.

Even a thorough sweeping will some times fail to make the carpet look as clean and bright as desired. On such occasions have it rubbed over with a damp cloth which has been wrung out in very weak ammonia water. Use a table spoonful of ammonia to a half pail full of warm water.

To boil cabbage that no unpleasant odor may be detected plunge the cabbage into boiling salted water. Allow it to boil up once and then simmer slowly until cooked.

During the cold weather use alcohol to wash windows. This will prevent the windows from freezing and also give them a glistening polish.

Cold tea is excellent for cleaning grained wood.

Never put tea leaves on a light colored carpet; they will surely leave a stain.

If sponge cake is mixed with cold water it is yellow, but if the water be boiling hot the cake will be white.

New tins should be set over the fire with boiling water in them for several hours before food is put into them.

Ink stains on linen can be taken out if the stain is first washed in salt water and let it stand over night.

Do not salt beef before or while cooking, as it draws out the juices, which, in boiling especially are thereby lost.

The juice of half a lemon in a teacup of strong black coffee, without sugar, it is said, will often cure a sick headache.

Onions should be soaked in salted warm water previous to cooking, to partly remove any strong odor they may possess.

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A new woman movement which was started recently in Mass., has been scotched by the municipal authorities. During the hard times of the past year or so a great many girls started in the business of selling newspapers on the streets, and soon the newsboys were pressed and in danger of being driven out of the business. It has just been determined not to allow girls to sell papers on the streets, because of the physical hardships and discomforts, and of the influences to which they are exposed.

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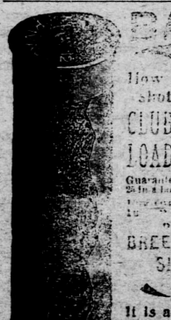

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Philadelphia	111 16	27 25	310 20	22 02	33 46	35 20
Baltimore	6 45	6 25	8 50	12 05	3 00	5 27
Wilmington	12 01	8 13	11 03	2 50	4 27	6 53
Farnhurst		f 8 22		f 2 58		
New Castle		8 27		f 3 03		7 06
State Road		f8 33		f 3 08		f 7 11
Bear		f8 38		f 3 13		7 16
Porter		8 45			4 51	7 23
Kirkwood		8 50	f11 33	f 3 22		7 28
Mt. Pleasant		8 59		f 3 31		f 7 36
Armstrong		f 9 06				7 40
Middletown	12 44	9 08	11 49	3 04	5 16	7 46
Townsend		9 17		f 3 48	5 25	7 54
Blackbird		f 9 22		f 3 52		f 7 59
Gr'n Spring		f 9 27		f 3 58		f8 05
Clayton	1 02	9 33	12 06	4 05	5 37	8 10
Smyrna, LV		9 23	11 56	3 52	5 27	8 00
Brenford		f9 38		f 4 10		f8 15
Cheswold		f9 43		f 4 15		f 8 21
Dupont				f 4 18		
Dover	1 20	9 54	12 22	4 25	5 56	8 31
Wyoming	a 1 27	10 01	f12 28	4 31	6 02	8 37
Woodside		f10 08		f 4 37		
Viola		f10 12		f 4 41		
Felton	a 1 40	10 17	f12 39	4 46	6 14	
Harrington	1 50	10 32	12 53	5 02	6 24	
Farmington		f10 40	a 1 00		f 6 32	
Greenwood		f10 45	a 1 07		f 6 40	
Bridgeville	a 2 14	10 56	f 1 15		6 49	
Cannons		f11 01			f 6 54	
Seaford	2 26	11 11	1 26		7 02	
Laurel	a 2 38	11 23	f 1 36		7 13	
Delmar	2 50	11 32	1 46		7 24	
	a m.	a. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.

NORTHWARD.

	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. P. M.	PAS P. M.
Delmar	f1 08			8 05	2 26	8 45
Laurel	f 1 21			8 15	2 36	8 56
Seaford	1 34			8 29	f 2 46	9 10
Cannons				f 8 37		f 9 18
Bridgeville	p 1 48			8 43	f 2 58	9 24
Greenwood				f 8 51		f 9 36
Farmington				f 8 59		f 9 41
Harrington	2 22		8 05	9 13	3 20	9 52
Felton	2 32		8 14	9 22	f 3 30	10 01
Viola			f8 18	f 9 27		f 10 05
Woodside			f8 22	f 9 31		f 10 09
Wyoming	2 44	f7 00	f8 29	9 38	f 3 41	10 16
Dover	2 50	7 05	8 35	9 45	3 47	10 23
Dupont		f7 10				
Cheswold		f7 16		f 9 57		f 10 32
Brenford		f7 21		f10 02		f 10 36
Smyrna, LV		7 16	8 42	9 58	3 32	10 27
Clayton	3 06	7 26	8 52	10 08	4 02	10 41
Gr'n spring		f7 30				f 10 46
Blackbird		f7 36		f10 17		f 10 52
Townsend		7 41	9 06	10 22	4 15	10 57
Middletown	3 29	7 51	9 15	10 31	4 24	11 06
Armstrong		f7 55				f 11 10
Mt Pleasant		7 59		f10 39		11 14
Kirkwood		8 08		10 47		11 23
Porter		8 15	9 34	10 52	4 41	11 30
Bear		f8 20		f10 57		11 35
State Road		f8 25		f11 01		11 39
New Castle		8 31	9 45	11 07		11 44
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